

105TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 2674

To authorize issuance of a certificate of documentation with appropriate endorsement for employment in the coastwise trade for the vessel PRINCE NOVA.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 9, 1997

Mr. GEJDENSON introduced the following bill; which was referred to the  
Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

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## A BILL

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1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3       **SECTION 1. DOCUMENTATION OF THE VESSEL PRINCE**  
4               **NOVA.**

5       (a) DOCUMENTATION AUTHORIZED.—Notwithstand-  
6       ing section 27 of the Merchant Marine Act, 1920 (46 App.  
7       U.S.C. 883), section 8 of the Act of June 19, 1886 (46  
8       App. U.S.C. 289), and section 12106 of title 46, United  
9       States Code, the Secretary of Transportation may issue

1 a certificate of documentation with appropriate endorse-  
2 ment for employment in the coastwise trade for the vessel  
3 PRINCE NOVA (Canadian registration number 320804).

4 (b) TERMINATION OF EFFECTIVENESS OF CERTIFI-  
5 CATES.—A certificate of documentation issued for the ves-  
6 sel under subsection (a) shall expire unless—

7 (1) the vessel undergoes conversion, reconstruc-  
8 tion, repair, rebuilding, or retrofitting in a shipyard  
9 located in the United States;

10 (2) the cost of that conversion, reconstruction,  
11 repair, rebuilding, or retrofitting is not less than the  
12 greater of—

13 (A) three times the purchase value of the  
14 vessel before the conversion, reconstruction, re-  
15 pair, rebuilding, or retrofitting; or

16 (B) \$4,200,000; and

17 (3) not less than an average of \$1,000,000 is  
18 spent annually in a shipyard located in the United  
19 States for conversion, reconstruction, repair, rebuild-  
20 ing, or retrofitting of the vessel until the total  
21 amount of the cost required under paragraph (2) is  
22 spent.

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